

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 595

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A RESOLUTION to designate March 1, 2012, as "Rescue Squad Day" in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, our nation was conceived by individuals who were willing to sacrifice their personal safety and concerns to ensure our individual and collective well-being, and the Volunteer State is especially proud to be the home of so many valiant men and women who have performed above and beyond the call of duty; and

WHEREAS, thousands of Tennesseans continue this time-honored tradition of volunteerism through service as members of rescue squads; and

WHEREAS, these individuals face daily the rigors of corporal imperilment in protecting and giving emergency medical care to those whom they so selflessly serve; and

WHEREAS, the members of Tennessee's rescue squads are dedicated individuals who are fully committed to rendering aid and saving lives in their communities, striving ever to do so with a spirit of Samaritan kindness and concern; and

WHEREAS, the service provided by rescue squads throughout the State is invaluable to the citizens who call Tennessee home, as well as to the hundreds of thousands of people who visit within or travel across our borders; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Association of Rescue Squads gives training, technical assistance, and camaraderie to the many local squads and is dedicated to the good of all mankind; and

WHEREAS, one hundred fifteen rescue squads comprised of approximately 5,000 members make up the Association, and those persons give tirelessly of their time and energy in humanitarian efforts and make themselves available every hour of the day, every day of the year; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that, for their prodigious efforts, this General Assembly should recognize the contributions rescue squads make to the health, safety, and well-being of Tennesseans and designate a specific week in honor of these fine men and women; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby designate March 1, 2012, as "Rescue Squad Day" in Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.